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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

**Inventor:** Yuegang Zhang  
**For:** Method of Processing a Nanotube

Enclosed are the following:

- Submission of Incomplete Application
- Specification 12 pages; Claims 7 pages; Abstract 1 page
- sheet(s) of drawings 4 pages
- Declaration and Power of Attorney
- Assignment of the invention to NEC Corporation
- Small Entity Statement
- A certified copy of \_\_\_\_\_ application no. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_
- Prior Art Statement
- Preliminary Amendment 0 pages

Priority is hereby claimed under 35 USC 119 by way of Japanese patent application  
Nos. 11-359579 filed December 17, 1999.

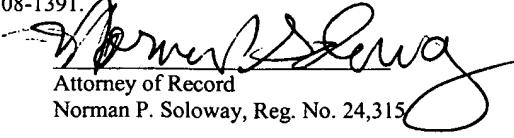
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